

THE BARTON COUNTY DEMOCRAT
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GREAT BEND, KANSAS.

City and County.

H. M. Summers is the happy father of a girl baby.

We are very sorry to learn that Dr. Wm. Van Pelt is seriously ill.

Mr. and Mrs. George Spencer have returned from their eastern trip.

The masonic order will give an entertainment in the near future.

S. P. Leightner, of Pawnee Rock, was in the city Friday on business.

Little Ray Bell has been sick for two or three days, but is better to-day.

Prof. W. L. Eagleton is in from his school, in the western part of the county.

Robert Gwinn has been to Hoisington two or three times this week. What's up?

Don't fail to read "Ladies See This" in another column for it will not appear again. 5411*1.

One of the walls of the west side new public school has been bricked up one story high.

Will Clites, of Atchison, is in the city, visiting a few old friends and talking over old times.

H. C. Benke, from State Center, was in the city Saturday. Mr. Benke is teaching the Red Wing school.

Denton Delaplane, who has been visiting his parents for a few weeks, left yesterday for Harper county.

The school districts can get their money from the treasurer's office on and after the 12th of this month.

The Concordia is succeeding beyond the hopes of its best friends, and the people will hear from them soon.

R. E. Ward, of Hoisington, lost a baby on the 3d inst. The remains were shipped to Emporia for burial.

K. I. Blackledge sold a fine Clydesdale stallion to J. A. Purviance, Great Bend, Kas.—Salina Journal.

W. W. Winstead is setting up "smiles" at his grocery store. D. M. Woodburn will tell you what kind.

G. W. Murphy is behind the bars of the Farmers' & Merchants' bank during the absence of George Young.

The milling companies of this city have adopted the cash system, making our merchants give weekly payments.

Rev. S. H. Eneyart returned last night from his trip to California, looking as though he had enjoyed his outing.

Ed. Tyler has purchased the grocery stock of W. H. H. Keeney, and will take charge on the 16th of this month.

A new school district has been made at Claffin. It comprises four sections, and will be known as district No. 80.

Some one has been carrying away the fence pulling at Mr. Hengist's residence, and the other night they made away with his gate.

Judge Ogle issued a marriage license yesterday, to Mr. George S. Davis, of Logan township and Miss Lydia Youtsey, of Dundee.

John F. Tilton has returned from his junketing tour. He says in all his travels he found no place that suits him as well as Great Bend.

Mr. Geo. H. Berthard, a well known pension agent and practicing attorney of Burlington, Kas, is making preparations to make this city his future home.

In the case of Bussey vs. Leightner before Squire Richerick, judgment for \$255 was given to the plaintiff. An appeal was taken by the defendant to the district court.

Mr. Ed. Hotchkiss can be seen behind the counters of the St. Louis store. By the dexterity in which he handles goods and moves around it is evident he has been in that line before.

Prof. Tom Reynolds, of the Hoisington schools, was down Saturday. He says the scholars of that place will have a vacation until the new school house is completed, which will be completed in about a month.

Lafe Weaver left last week for California to bring his family back to this city. He has been closely housed with the duties of the treasurer's office for some time, and will now take a short visit to the Pacific coast.

Quarterly meeting will begin at the M. E. church on next Saturday evening.

Cigars and new county officers were plenty in the court house, Monday morning.

George Thatcher received quite a bad cut over the eye. A cow horned him.

D. Mathies has gone to Halstead to accept a clerkship in the transfer depot at that point.

Theo Griffith, who has been ill for several days, is on his "pegs" again, attending to business.

"Ladies See This" in another column. It is worth reading and will appear in this issue only. 5411*1.

A child of Will Patterson which had been sick for some time died Saturday afternoon and was buried Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Hubbaad, who has been in the U. S. mail service on the Great Bend extension of the Santa Fe road, has left for Gallatin, Missouri.

G. N. & E. R. Moses put in a large hot air heater for the Grand Central hotel, to warm up the halls on the second floor of the building.

George McGinnis has resigned his position in the St. Louis store of this city, to accept a position in one of the business houses in Larned.

Dr. Shaw received a telegram to come to Hoisington to attend a sick child of U. N. Holker. The child was dead when the doctor reached there Sunday night.

Charlie Dodge has removed his plats and books into the county treasurer's office lobby. He will shortly open an abstract office in rooms over the first National bank.

The Leland hotel has been opened to the public again, after quite a vacation. A year ago our city could not accommodate its guests, but the new hotels will now hold them all.

The union services will continue this week, at the Congregational church. Quite a good deal of interest was manifested during last week, and it is anticipated that the meetings will continue to do good work.

Henry Nordman, a farmer, while cutting wood at the Walnut creek a day or two ago received several bruises about the face. He was chopping a limb, when a piece of it flew up and struck him in the face, inflicting the injuries spoken of.

Mr. C. F. Benford says he would like the party who stole his coal, box and all, to bring back the box—he wants it for kindling. The party was tracked to his home, and if his eyes see this or his ears hear of it, he will know to avoid trouble by making restitution.

The Knights of Pythias installed their officers at the last meeting. The officers installed are: O. V. Dodge, C. C.; R. P. Typer, M. E.; Theodore Griffith, M. F.; E. C. Kent, K. of R. & S.; John Berry, M. A.; Robert Ewalt, I. G.; Chas. McDonald, O. G. Elmer Dawson and Ed. L. Teed are yet to be installed.

Mr. Miller, the tailor, is the leading checker player of the city. Mr. Coates has vanquished all comers at chess, while Charley Hooper, Ed. Hotchkiss and Geo. Scott are vying for the championship of the game of authors, with the determination of the gladiators in the days of old.

Saturday the county teachers' association met in the brick school house, on Forest avenue, and held a very interesting session. Miss Husted read a very interesting paper on the word method of teaching reading. Prof. Tom Reynolds gave a graphic and interesting account of the state teachers' association.

A letter received by O. J. Richards from Mrs. G. W. Parker in California, states that Freddie, a young son of Mr. and Mrs. George McClure, died on the 30th of December, also that Mrs. Scott and Mrs. Walker have just got up from an illness. Mr. Parker is getting no better, though he has not had a hemorrhage for some months.

Krause and Livingston, the young men who assaulted a Chinaman in this city, and have been languishing in the county jail for some months, have departed. The county commissioners ordered them to paint the court yard fence. Saturday morning they skipped out, leaving the fence unpainted. They evidently were opposed to convict labor.

Saturday night burglars broke into the meat market of W. Spencer. They removed a large pain of glass, went inside and stole about fifty pounds of meat. For the past few weeks there has been more thefts committed in this city than ever before since it started. One of these days some of these midnight marauders will be brought up before his honor, who will see that they are taken care of.

The following is a list of officers of S. A. Huribut Post, of the G. A. R., which were elected December 3d, 1887. Post Commander, Wm. Misner; Senior vice commander, W. N. Halsey; Junior vice commander, W. W. Shannon; Surgeon, James Prescott; Chaplain, A. W. Strong; Quartermaster, W. W. Bassore; Officer of the Day, Chas. Grant; Officer of Guard, D. R. Ward. Adjutant and non-commissioned officers will be appointed hereafter.—Ellinwood Express.

Boring At Pawnee Rock. N. W. Hussey, of Pawnee Rock, was in the city Tuesday and ordered stationery for the Pawnee Rock Gas and Fuel company. The owners of the land upon which wells are to be sunk give N. W. Hussey & Co. free privileges on their land for three years, and in case mineral of any kind is found the owners of the land are to have one-sixteenth of the produce at the top of the well without charge. The company is getting everything arranged, and intend to begin work as soon as possible.—Larned Chronicle.

Installation and Banquet. Yesterday was red letter day with the Ancient Order of United Workmen, of Great Bend. Last night District Deputy Grand Master, D. M. Woodburn, installed the following officers: Fred Vollmer, P. M.; D. M. Lazarus, M. W.; D. R. Jones, F.; Herbert Swift, Overseer; D. F. Robinson, Receiver; A. J. Buckland Recorder; E. P. Smith, guide; W. A. Rush, I. G.; W. T. Dando, O. G. After the installation there was an intermission, during which a very social time was enjoyed by all, in conversation and music, both vocal and instrumental. About half past nine the members and their ladies repaired to the Grand Central hotel, where they banqueted in elegant style.

No More R. R. Collisions. It has turned out just as was expected. American genius has triumphed over railroad collisions. A western man has invented what he calls an anti-railroad collision. It consists of a railroad track which is run over the tops of the cars and passes down at either end near enough to connect with the main track so that on meeting a train it—that is, the other train—immediately runs up the inclined track, and passes over the tops of the cars in perfect safety. The sensations of the passengers in both trains while all this is going on must be rapturously thrilling. To say the least. All that is needed now to make the thing complete is an automatic derrick which will hoist trains over rivers and chasms when the bridges break down.

PAWNEE ROCK ITEMS.

From Saturday's Leader.

Josh Miller is serving as assistant in the postoffice.

C. E. Scott and family have returned to Turon.

It is now about time for the man who swore off to resume his bad habits.

Benefiel & Hardy are the new liverymen. They have traded for the interest of Clint Kemmerling.

The many friends here of Mrs. A. W. Metcalf will be very sorry to learn that she is very ill in Cimarron.

C. E. Scott has traded the mill at his place to a Mr. Hamilton, of McPherson. Particulars next week.

Mrs. Mike Sweeney presented her husband with a bouncing boy on the 25th ult. A Christmas gift worth having.

Dr. Daniels reports much sickness from colds on account of sudden changes; two children of Peter Bloom and patients mentioned elsewhere are on his list.

Ladies See This! Hats at 25 and 50 cents, former price \$1.00 and \$1.50. Corsets, to-boggans, knit goods, yarns, zephyrs, collars and cuffs, rucking and 100 notions at prices to sell regardless of cost, at Chappel's Bon Ton Milliner Store, north side the square. 5411*1.

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